

SENATE BILL 3872

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-123, relative to the regulation of certified nurse practitioners.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-123(b)(3), is amended by deleting the language of subdivision (B) until the colon punctuation mark and by substituting instead the following:

(B) Any typed or computer-generated prescription order for a drug issued by a nurse practitioner who is authorized by law to prescribe a drug must be legible so that it is comprehensible by the pharmacist who fills the prescription order. The typed or computer-generated prescription order must contain the name of the prescribing nurse practitioner; the name and strength of the drug prescribed; the quantity of the drug prescribed, recorded in letters or in numerals; instructions for the proper use of the drug; and the month, day and year that the typed or computer-generated prescription order was issued, recorded in letters or in numerals or a combination thereof. The prescribing nurse practitioner must sign the typed or computer-generated prescription order on the day it is issued, unless the prescription order is:

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.